

BOROUGH OF BARRINGTON
MINUTES OF MONTHLY COUNCIL MEETING
April 10, 2018 at 6:00 PM
COUNCIL ROOM AT MUNICIPAL BUILDING

A regular monthly Council Meeting of the Borough of Barrington was held with Mayor Klaus presiding.

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Klaus called the meeting to order with the following statement: "This meeting is held in compliance with Chapter 231 of the open public meetings act of 1975 and appropriate notice has been given. Notice of the meeting was filed with the Retrospect and Courier Post and is also posted in the main office of the Borough Clerk where notices are primarily kept. He then led the salute to the flag of our country.

ROLL CALL: The Municipal Clerk called roll of Council and with the following in attendance: Council President Ludwig, Councilwoman Harris, Councilman Robenolt, Councilman Popiolek and Councilman Beach. Also on dais: Mayor Klaus, Municipal Clerk Terry Shannon and Borough Solicitor Timothy Higgins, Esq. Councilwoman Fawley has an excused absence tonight.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Mayor Klaus noted that council was provided with the minutes of the March 6, 2018, caucus and the March 13, 2018, council meetings and asked if there were any corrections. Seeing none, on a motion by Ludwig, second by Harris, the caucus and council minutes were approved by all members of Council present with Councilman Popiolek abstaining on the March 13 council minutes as he was not in attendance.

COMMITTEE REPORTS: The Municipal Clerk read a summary of the March 2018, monthly reports from the following departments: Police, Fire, EMS, Regional Fire Alliance, Construction, Tax & Sewer Collector and Recycling; there was no Court report. On a motion by Harris, second by Popiolek, the monthly reports were approved as submitted by all members of Council present.

ORDINANCES FOR PUBLIC HEARING AND ADOPTION:

Ord. 1087 Calendar Year 2018 Ordinance to Exceed Municipal Budget Appropriation Limits and Establish a CAP Bank (NJSA 40A:4-45.14)

On a motion by Ludwig, second by Popiolek, the second reading of the ordinance was approved with the following poll vote: Ludwig-yes, Harris-yes, Robenolt-no, Popiolek-yes, Beach-yes.

On a motion by Popiolek, second by Harris, the public hearing was opened.

Seeing no comments from the public, on a motion by Ludwig, second by Popiolek, the public hearing was closed.

On a motion by Popiolek, second by Ludwig, the ordinance was adopted with the following poll vote: Ludwig-yes, Harris-yes, Robenolt-no, Popiolek-yes, Beach-yes.

ORDINANCES FOR INTRODUCTION ON FIRST READING:

Ord. 1088 Fixing the 2018 Compensation of Certain Officers and Employees of the Borough of Barrington.

On a motion by Ludwig, second by Harris, the ordinance for introduction on first reading was approved with the following poll vote: Ludwig-yes, Harris-yes, Robenolt-yes, Popiolek-yes, Beach-yes.

This ordinance will be considered for adoption after proper notice and a public hearing to be held during the May 8 council meeting.

RESOLUTION CONSENT AGENDA: The Clerk read the following resolutions:

- 4-2018-44 Renewal of the Shared Service Agreement with the Borough of Tavistock
- 4-2018-45 Supporting the 2018 Distracted Driving Crackdown
- 4-2018-46 Submission of a Project Description Form for CDBG Year 2018 Funding
- 4-2018-47 Submission of a Project Description Form for CDBG Senior Program Funding
- 4-2018-48 Extending the Runnemede Shared Service Agreement for Three Months
- 4-2018-49 Introduction of the 2018 Municipal Budget
- 4-2018-50 Authorizing Self-Examination of the 2018 Municipal Budget
- 4-2018-51 Certification of Compliance with the United States Equal Employment Opportunity
Commission's "Enforcement Guidance on the Consideration of Arrest and Conviction
Records in Employment Decisions"
- 4-2018-52 Approving the April Bill List in the Total Amount of \$1,148,958.63

On a motion by Popiolek, second by Ludwig, the resolution consent agenda as read was approved with the following poll vote: Ludwig-yes, Harris-yes, Robenolt-no, Popiolek-yes, Beach-yes.

COMMENTS FROM MEMBERS OF THE GOVERNING BODY:

COUNCILMAN BEACH – lots in the works but nothing to report at this time. Glad you are all here tonight. Spring-like weather so be safe.

COUNCILMAN POPIOLEK – welcome. With the introduction of the budget the Councilman thanked the department heads, Council and CFO Denise Moules for coming up with a budget that is best for the taxpayers. The municipal increase is about 2.75 cents, a modest increase that represents what the Councilman finds to be an extremely responsible budget. The average taxpayer, based on the average assessed value, should see about a \$60 increase in their taxes. Denise Moules does a great job not just during budget time but all year long. The Chick Fil-A project is moving along nicely. They are in the process of getting engineering and site work plans done so they will be ready for submission to the Planning Board within the next couple of months. Enjoy this so-called spring.

COUNCILMAN ROBENOLT – good evening and thanks for coming out. Thanks to his department heads for all their work on the budgets, it is greatly appreciated. Councilwoman Harris had to leave but asked that it be passed along that Barrington Day is May 19 at the Little League field on Shreve Ave. beginning at 11 am, please come out; more information at our May meeting.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT LUDWIG – hopefully spring is coming! Softball Opening Day is this Saturday. DPW and Mike Ciocco, great job this winter with everything; snow removal, softball and every problem we have thrown at you within the last four or five months, you have done a great job and appreciated. Also to Denise Moules, a great job on the budget, all have done a great job.

COUNCILWOMAN HARRIS – had to leave the meeting early

MAYOR KLAUS – Opening Day for baseball was last weekend, Softball is this weekend so it must be Spring. We are all very pleased and we do believe that the budget we have come up with is responsible and well within our means.

PUBLIC PORTION: On a motion by Robenolt, second by Beach, the public portion of the meeting was opened. Mayor Klaus advised that if you have comments or questions to come forward and state your name and address for the record. Public comment is limited to five minutes per person.

PAUL GROSS, 346 Tavistock Blvd. – doesn't quite understand 4-2018-50 for authorizing self-examination. What does that mean? Councilman Popiolek asked CFO Moules to explain. She

explained that the state breaks up all municipalities into three groups since they can't review everybody's budget. Every three years they rotate and there is a group that does a review internally rather than the state review; the state will review it next year. Gross added he does not like the black police vehicles. He saw a black car with low profile lights across the front of it that was obviously a police car with black tires and no hubcaps. The person driving was not dressed like a policeman. Mr. Gross would not stop for that car, he said that is a totally wrong idea to have plain police cars. He also said that the last issue of Barrington on Track was terrific, especially the essay section from the children. He was advised that we have a new designer putting the paper together.

Mayor Klaus said he was remiss in not mentioning that Bill Patton, who used to do the Barrington on Track paper, has passed away.

Seeing no more comments from the public, on a motion by Popiolek, second by Ludwig, the public portion of the meeting was closed.

With no further business to be transacted, on a motion by Popiolek, second by Beach, the m

APPROVED:

Terry Shannon
Municipal Clerk